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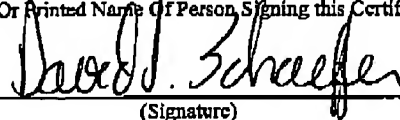
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In reply to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office dated September 29, 2004, the time for response to which extending to and including December 29, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following revisions and remarks:

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Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.